

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**SB 2037 - HB 2259**

March 17, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (015393):** Urges that the explanation and disclosure given by the healthcare practitioner to a patient or patient representative prior to informed consent being given to include that opioids are highly addictive, even when taken as prescribed, that there are risks of developing dependence on opioids, and there is a danger in mixing opioids with different substances.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-1-164 (a)(5)(A), informed consent means consent voluntarily given in writing by the patient or patient representative after sufficient explanation and disclosure by the healthcare practitioner of the subject matter involved to enable the person whose consent is sought to make a knowing and willful decision.
- Urging a practitioner to act upon the provisions of this legislation will not result in a fiscal impact to state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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